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Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-captioned application as follows and consider the following remarks:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add the following new claims:

C\ --12. The method as claimed in claim 6, wherein said positively charged group is selected from the group consisting of the dimethylaminoethyl (DMAE) group, the diethylaminoethyl (DEAE) group, the trimethylaminoethyl (TMAE) group, the group -R-CH(OH)-CH<sub>2</sub>-N<sup>+</sup>-(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub> (Q group), the guanidinium group and the imine group.

13. The method as claimed in claim 12, wherein said imine group is polyethyleneimine (PEI).